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The AM1SAT callsign will be active from a minimum of 14 different grids during that time to help satellite operators to collect as much EA locators as possible.

As part of this activity and in order to promote the participation, AMSAT-EA is sponsoring the AM1SAT Special Award in two categories: SILVER and GOLD.

AWARD RULES

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5. Logs and any question about this activity must be sent to eb1ao at amsat-ea.org .

6. Logs must be received by October 1st 2018. We will consider the AM1SAT operators logs to check and cross the QSOs. Disputes or open issues will be solved by AMSAT-EA committee.

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